Appl. No. 10/003,563

Amdt. dated January 17, 2006

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REMARKS

Applicant submits this Amendment, together with an Appeal Brief, in response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 15, 2005. Because this amendment merely cancels claim 26, Appellant submits that it complies with 37 C.F.R. 1.116. Applicant requests entry of this Amendment prior to consideration on Appeal.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Date: January 17, 2006

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